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In re Application of	:	
Angelopoulos, et al.	:	
Application No. 09/727,615	:	ON PETITION
Filed: December 1, 2000	:	
Attorney Docket No. YOR919960050US3	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed December 7, 2006, requesting revival of the above-identified application.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is **granted**.

This application was held abandoned for failure to reply to the final Office action, mailed May 20, 2005, which set an extendable three month period for reply. No extensions of time being obtained and no reply being received in the Office, the application became abandoned on August 21, 2005. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on December 5, 2005.

Applicants have submitted a RCE, required fee, and submission in response to the May 20, 2005 final Office action, an acceptable statement of the unintentional nature of the delay in responding to the May 20, 2005 final Office action, and the petition fee.<sup>1</sup> Therefore, the petition is **GRANTED**.

This decision on petition does not address the merits of the submission filed with the RCE.

After the mailing of this decision the application will be forwarded to Technology Center AU 1751 for consideration of the RCE filed on December 7, 2006.

<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to petitioners' authorization, the required \$1,500.00 petition fee will be charged to deposit account no. 09-0468.

Telephone inquiries pertaining to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3230.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Shirene Willis Brantley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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